GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:289
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2007
DISCONTINUATION OF CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to discontinue various Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the said schemes have been evaluated; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof, Scheme-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING(SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PART (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 289 REGARDING DISCONTINUATION OF CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES BY SHRI MAHAVIR BHAGORA AND SHRI KISHANBHAI V. PATEL FOR ANSWER ON 5.12.2007

(a) to (d): Plan Schemes are discontinued on the basis of Zero Based Budgeting (ZBB) exercise while preparing a Plan. The primary purpose of ZBB exercise is to ensure convergence, efficiency and efficacy of schemes according to Plan objectives & priorities and also the use of available resources in the most judicious and economically efficient manner. Such an exercise has been undertaken for the Eleventh Five Year Plan also. As a result, the number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) has been reduced from 155 in 2006-07 to 82 in 2007-08. However, 17 new CSS were included in 2007-08, taking the total to 99.